

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.312(a)  
EXAMINING GROUP 2177**

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In re application of: Pisani

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FOR: **Method for Searching a  
Collection of Libraries**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In the Examiner's Amendment that was issued in conjunction with the Notice of Allowance, the Examiner allowed claims 23-33 and 35-44. In doing so, however, several of the amendments became repetitive. Additionally, the Examiner incorrectly referenced the mathematical formula  $(1/n) \sum \text{abs}(r_i - s_i)$  from Applicant's original specification and claims. Finally, the Examiner objected to the informal drawing figures submitted at the time of filing the application. Accordingly, Applicant hereby cancels the repetitive claims, amends claim 23 in accordance with the Applicant's original specification, and provides the attached formal drawings to comply with the Examiner's objection.